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Re: Amendment of Section 73.606(b), Table of Allotments, Television Breadcast Stations (Albion, Nebraska, MM Docket No. 94-143

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Dear Mr. Karousos:

This is written on behalf of Citadel Communications Co., Ltd. ("Citadel"), licensee of Station KCAN, Nebraska, concerning a notice issued by your office on May 8, 1995 with respect to the above-referenced proceeding. *See* Public Notice, Application for Review of Action in Rulemaking Proceeding (Report No. 2071) (the "Notice") (attached hereto).

The Notice correctly reports that an application for review was filed in Docket 94-143. However, it incorrectly applies the Commission's rules concerning petitions for reconsideration to that filing. Section 1.115 of the Commission's rules, which governs applications for review (including those concerning allotment rulemaking proceedings) provides that oppositions to an application for review may be filed within 15 days "after the application is filed." 47 CFR § 1.115(d) (emphasis added). "[R]eplies to oppositions shall be filed within 10 days after the opposition is filed . . ." Id. (emphasis added).

Citadel filed its opposition to the application for review filed in this matter on April 27 with service copies sent by mail. Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 1.115(d) and 1.4 of the rules, any reply to the opposition is due today. The Notice incorrectly relies on

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Section 1.429(e) of the rules, which does not apply to applications for review, in stating that the pleading cycle is tolled from publication of a notice in the Federal Register.

As the Commission has been previously advised, action on this matter in conjunction with Docket 91-304 is necessary well before June 30, 1995 to avoid the expiration of rights necessary to bring a first competitive television service to Lincoln, Nebraska. Accordingly, we respectfully request that you withdraw the Notice and make clear that Section 1.115(d) of the rules governs the pleading cycle in this matter. This will not prejudice Busse Broadcasting (the filer of the application for review). A full ten days—the period afforded by the rules for oppositions—passed prior to the issuance of the erroneous Notice, which Busse had no right to expect the Commission would issue. However, in light of any confusion that may have been caused by the Notice, Citadel is willing to consent to an extension of time to file a reply through May 12.

Citadel respectfully requests that you act immediately on this matter.

Sincerely,

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#### APPLICATION FOR REVIEW OF ACTION IN RULEMAKING PROCEEDING

Application for review have been filed in the Commission rulemaking proceedings listed in this Public Notice and published pursuant to 47 CFR Section 1.429(e). The full text of this document is available for viewing and copying in Room 239, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. or may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor ITS, Inc. (202) 857-3800. Opposition to this petition must be filed within 15 days of the date of public notice of the petition in the Federal Register. See Section 1.4(b) (1) of the Commission's rules (47 CFR 1.4(b)(1)). Replies to an opposition must be filed within 10 days after the time for filing oppositions has expired.

SUBJECT: In the Matter of Amendment of Section 73.606(b), Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations. (Albion, Nebraska) (MM Docket No. 94-143)

FILED BY: Neal J. Friedman, Attorney for Busse Broadcasting Corporation on 04-20-95.

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